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SUBJECT: R/V EASTWARD CLEARANCE REQUEST

REF A. RABAT 3501, B. STATE 149635

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NOTE CHARACTERIZED IN REF A HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY EMBASSY. WE QUOTE THE LANGUAGE QUALIFYING THE MINISTRY'S APPROVAL: QUOTE HOWEVER, SINCE THE SUBJECT RESEARCH CONCERNS WATERS UNDER MOROCCAN JURISDICTION (TERRITORIAL WATERS AND EXCLUSIVE FISHING ZONE), THE GOVERNMENT OF MOROCCO HAS THE RIGHT TO ACCOMPANY ITS APPROVAL WITH TWO CONDITIONS:

(1) THAT THE RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH BE COMMUNICATED TO IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND

(2) THAT THE RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH RELEVANT TO RESOURCES IN MOROCCAN WATERS NOT BE DISSEMINATED WITHOUT THE EXPRESS APPROVAL OF MOROCCAN AUTHORITIES. UNQUOTE.

2. IN TELCON REFERRED TO IN REF A, EMBOFF TOLD CHARBI THAT RESEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED BY R/V EASTWARD WAS NOT OF NATURE, IN OUR UNDERSTANDING, TO PRODUCE INFORMATION ON OFFSHORE MINERAL OR OTHER RESOURCES. WE HAD PREVIOUSLY ASSURED MINISTRY THAT THREE
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COPIES OF ALL RESEARCH PAPERS, IN FRENCH, WOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY FURNISHED TO THE GOM. ALTHOUGH THIS EXCHANGE WOULD APPEAR ON SURFACE TO SETTLE MATTER, THERE REMAINS POSSIBILITY THAT SEISMIC DATA, CORE SAMPLES, OR OTHER SOUNDINGS COULD, AS ACCIDENTAL BYPRODUCT, HAVE ECONOMIC IMPORT. FACT THAT OBSERVER SELECTED BY MOROCCAN GOVERNMENT IS AN ENGINEER OF THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES SUGGESTS THAT GOM HAS AT LEAST CONSIDERED THIS POSSI-

BILITY.

3. REQUEST THAT DEPARTMENT REEXAMINE MOROCCAN CONDITIONS FROM THIS OPTIC. GOM APPEARS INTERESTED NOT ONLY TO SCIENTIFIC INTENT OF MISSION, BUT ALSO WHAT IT ACTUALLY PRODUCES. REQUEST INSTRUCTION ON PRECISE LANGUAGE OF RESPONSE TO MOROCCAN CONDITIONS PER PARA 1.

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